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Symposium Schedule

Poster Presentations
Maucker Union Ballroom

Judging: 11:00 am -12:30 pm
Open to the Public: 11:00 am -1:30 pm

Creative Performances
Great Reading Room, Seerley Hall

12:00 noon - 2:30 pm

Oral Presentations
Maucker Union Meeting Rooms

1:00 - 4:00 pm



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Tuesday, April 4, 2017

“UNI Graduate Education for the Greater Public Good”

Program Schedule

Welcome from President Mark Nook
Maucker Union Ballroom
9:00 am

Graduate Education for the Greater Public Good

Alumni Panel
Maucker Union Ballroom
9:15-10:30 am

Kavita Dhanwada
Dean of the Graduate College,
Moderator

Graduate Education for the Greater Public Good Alumni Panel



Tatum Buse, BA Accounting & MBA, UNI
Vice President of Finance and Corporate Controller,
Rockwell Collins, Inc.

Tatum Buse is Vice President of Finance and Corporate Controller at Rockwell Collins in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. In this role, she is responsible for providing enterprise accounting services, managing the company's internal controls and government accounting compliance programs, and preparing and reporting SEC and statutory documents and filings. She was a founding leader of the Women's Forum at Rockwell Collins. Within the community, she has served as council president for her church, treasurer for the PTO at her children's school, and vice-chair for the UNI Finance Advisory Board. She is also a member of the Cedar Rapids Economic Alliance Policy Board.



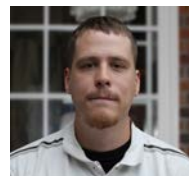
Quentin Hart, BA Sociology, Minnesota State University
MAE in Postsecondary Education: Student Affairs, UNI
Mayor of Waterloo, Iowa

Quentin Hart is currently serving as the Mayor for the City of Waterloo, Iowa; he is the first African American elected to this position. Prior to becoming Mayor, he was Associate Director of Multicultural Affairs for Hawkeye Community College, providing leadership for multicultural initiatives and promoting awareness and appreciation for diversity on campus and in the community. He is currently a doctoral candidate at Iowa State University in Educational Leadership and Policy Studies. He is involved in many community organizations including: the Heart-Waterloo Home Enhancement Project, State of Iowa's Commission on Aging, Iowa Department of Education - Equity Leadership Team, National Alliance for Partnerships in Equity, Metro Coalition of Cities and Black Hawk County NAACP.



Katie Mulholland, BA Art, MA Special Education &
EdD, Educational Administration, UNI
President Pro Tem, Iowa Board of Regents

Dr. Katie Mulholland retired as Superintendent of Schools for the Linn-Mar Community School District in 2015 after 12 years in that role and 40 years as an educator. Her career in public education began as a teacher and special education consultant in the Waterloo Community School District. She has served on the United Way of East Central Iowa Board, Junior Achievement Board of Trustees, Cedar Rapids Mercy Hospital Board of Ethics; Ohnward Bank and Trust Board of Directors and Cedar Rapids Sunrise Rotary. Regent Mulholland was elected President Pro Tem of the Iowa Board of Regents on June 5, 2013, and re-elected in 2014 and 2016. Her term on the Board expires April 30, 2017.



Christopher Shackelford, BA History & MA History, UNI
Historical Content and Program Developer, Grout
Museum District, Waterloo, Iowa

Chris Shackelford is Historical Content and Program Developer for the Grout Museum District; his work connects the people of Iowa to their history. Using his training in history and museum studies, he has developed a number of public exhibits including "365 & Counting: Iowans in the Vietnam War" and "Faces to go with Names: Iowa's Fallen Heroes." He is working on upcoming exhibits including, "The Cold War Ablaze: Iowans in the Korean War," and "From the Prairie to the Trenches: Iowans in the Great War." At UNI he was an engaged student, an active member of the Phi Alpha Theta Honor Society, the UNI History Club and a co-founder of Students United for Academics. Additionally, he has volunteered at many organizations including Living History Farms, The Cedar Falls Historical Society, and the Waukee Public Library.

Graduate Education and the Public Good

There is an ongoing national conversation regarding the value of graduate education to society and if it should be considered a *public good*? The Council of Graduate Schools has endorsed this idea, noting that "a strong link exists between U.S. graduate education, the production of knowledge, and economic and social prosperity." The Council asserts that graduate education does not just benefit the students themselves; it is of tremendous value to society as a whole.

Graduate education contributes to the public good by developing a highly skilled and competitive workforce, creating leaders for business, nonprofit and government sectors, developing entrepreneurs and innovators, producing an educated citizenry that can promote and defend our democratic ideals, training educators to teach the next generation and creating researchers who have the skills to solve society's large problems. In this way, graduate education improves the quality of life for all individuals in society: not just those who have received advanced degrees.

Today's panelists are just a few examples of individuals who received a graduate education at UNI and have used that education to make valuable social, economic and civic contributions to their communities. We ask them how graduate education contributes to the public good.

from "Graduate Education and the Public Good"
Council of Graduate Schools, 2008